



## DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

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Shipmate,

Welcome aboard and congratulations on your assignment to USS NITZE (DDG 94) - the finest ship in the fleet! Only the very best Sailors are assigned to our frontline destroyers and you should be proud to be among the very best.

NITZE is the 44<sup>th</sup> AEGIS destroyer and the 16<sup>th</sup> of the Flight IIA variant. It is the most technologically advanced and capable warship ever constructed. Although NITZE is a technological marvel, our greatest asset remains the people we have onboard. Each and every crew member plays a critical role here. Soon, you will become a member of the NITZE team and your professional capabilities and personal conduct will shape the culture, reputation, and performance of this ship for years to come.

The "Welcome" and "Family" sections of our website ([www.nitze.navy.mil](http://www.nitze.navy.mil)) provide a information about your initial reporting procedures and local services. Though answers to many of your questions may be found here, I strongly encourage you to contact your sponsor, the sponsor coordinator ([sponsor@ddg94.navy.mil](mailto:sponsor@ddg94.navy.mil)), and the Command Master Chief ([cmc@ddg94.navy.mil](mailto:cmc@ddg94.navy.mil)) for further information. Officers may contact the Executive Officer ([xo@ddg94.navy.mil](mailto:xo@ddg94.navy.mil)) if you need additional assistance.

Please contact the ship as soon as you receive your orders so that we may gather critical contact and travel information that will assist us in preparing for your arrival. I look forward to meeting and working with you. Again, congratulations on your assignment to NITZE.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "ML", is positioned above the printed name and title.

M. L. NAKAMURA  
Commander, USN  
Commanding Officer  
USS NITZE (DDG 94)